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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 35
By Armstrong

A RESOLUTION to congratulate Mr. David Douglas Eugene
Armstrong on the celebration of his 57th birthday.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that this legislative body should pause in its deliberations to honor those Tennesseans who, through their dedication to hard work and commitment to excellence, have achieved the universal respect and appreciation of their family, friends and community; and

WHEREAS, Mr. David Douglas Eugene Armstrong, is one such distinguished gentleman who is most deserving of merit and praise for his lifetime achievements; and

WHEREAS, affectionately known as D.D. to his family and friends, he was born on February 2, 1944 in Knoxville's Sentertown community to devoted parents Pauline "Can't Remember Her Age" McPherson Armstrong and Charles Louie "The Bear" Armstrong; and

WHEREAS, February 2nd is known to all as Groundhog Day; the celebration of the end of hibernation for a furry little rodent who some believe can predict the coming of spring; and

WHEREAS, David, though not a furry rodent, also emerged from hibernation one Groundhog Day morning to become the third of seven brothers; and

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WHEREAS, the only likeness is the fact that David, like his furry rodent known as Punxsutawney Phil, is also known as the "Seer of Seers, Prognosticators of Prognosticators"; and

WHEREAS, February 2nd is also known as Purification Day but unlike his similarities to the furry rodent, David shared no likeness to being pure; and

WHEREAS, his brothers can attest that he didn't share any likeness to Purification Day because he is known to bite his brothers on the nose; and

WHEREAS, D.D. has always aspired to be tall so he married a woman who was not so tall, he calls her Geri but that's not all; and

WHEREAS, from this blessed union three younguns were born, Nota, Desiree and Shana, and contrary to popular belief, no Viagra was needed; and

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, the Senate concurring, that we honor and commend Mr. David Douglas Eugene Armstrong on the celebration of his 57th birthday, at the same time expressing to him our heartfelt condolences as he now embarks upon the "downhill side of life".

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of the resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.